

Recycling Tips for residents

- Please rinse your containers and remove lids before recycling
- Comingle (combine) your containers if your apartment complex allows it
 - Commingling allows for fewer pickups and overflowing bins
 - Commingling keeps glass breakage minimized
- Keep your paper products dry
 - Contamination can cause an entire load to be land filled instead of recycled
- Please don't contaminate your recyclables
 - Only recycle products included in your complex's guidelines
 - Do not include paper or cardboard contaminated with food waste, no pizza boxes
- Please flatten your corrugated cardboard to save space

Thanks for Recycling!

Recycling at your apartment complex:

- ✧ saves valuable natural resources
- ✧ gives your residents the chance to recycle
- ✧ saves our limited landfill space
- ✧ helps prevent pollution
- ✧ really helps our program!

For further explanation or for a complete set of Blacksburg's recycling guidelines:

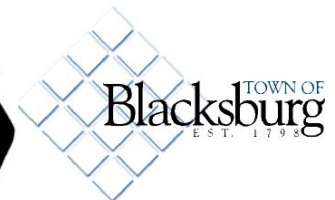
- visit the "Services" section of www.blacksburg.gov
- email questions to recycle@blacksburg.gov
- call (540) 961-1806

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Apartment Recycling in Blacksburg

Blacksburg Recycling
(540) 961-1806
recycle@blacksburg.gov

Department of Public Works
2700 Prosperity Road
Blacksburg, VA 24060



Recyclables that are collected through the Town of Blacksburg's residential program are brought to the Recycling Center at the Montgomery Regional Solid Waste Authority (MRSWA) in Christiansburg. Apartment complexes may use the Recycling Center or may opt to recycle elsewhere; **however,**

Each apartment complex is required to provide a centralized recycling collection area for the following products:

Containers

- Containers made of Glass, Aluminum, Tin, Steel, and Plastic (#1 & #2 only) may all be placed together

Newspapers

- Include everything that comes with your newspaper except plastic inserts

Corrugated Cardboard

- Corrugated cardboard is identified by the "waffle" middle layer
- Brown paper grocery bags may be included

Glossy Magazines & Catalogs

- Glossy and slick textured paper only
- Staples or stitching are OK

White Paper

- White papers
- Examples include white computer, copier, notebook, and typing paper, white envelopes (windows are ok!), and carbonless papers

Blacksburg Town Code

Section 20-201. Apartment Recycling

Owners, or unit owners associations in the case of condominiums, of each apartment or condominium complex shall provide, either through contract with the Town or under private contract, for a recycling program for their tenants or owners. This program shall provide for the collection of the same recyclable materials as the Town's recycling program (curbside and centralized collection) and shall offer to the tenants or residents a centralized and organized means to collect and dispose of recyclable materials. The program shall include onsite recycling facilities, their safe and sanitary maintenance, and periodic collection and lawful disposal of recyclable materials.

(a) Each occupant of real property who contracts privately for solid waste collection and disposal (including the owner or unit owners' association of each apartment or condominium complex,) shall report to the Town on forms provided by the Town Manager, information to include but not limited to, the following:

- (1) Name and address of reporting party;
- (2) Volume or weight of materials collected for recycling;
- (3) Total quantity recycled;
- (4) Total solid waste collected, excluding amount recycled;
- (5) Number of units;
- (6) Total number of residents

(b) The reports required by this section shall be submitted on a standard basis, within 30 days of the close of the previous quarter.

Whats this mean for me?

Having similar programs at all apartment complexes throughout Blacksburg allows for:

- easier movement from one complex to another or from homes to apartments for town residents
- less reeducation of recycling guidelines – everyone is consistent throughout town

If your recycling is brought to the Recycling Center at the Montgomery Regional Solid Waste Authority in Christiansburg they will assist you in reporting your yearly recycling data to the Town of Blacksburg.

Apartment managers are invited to call the Recycling Coordinator at 961-1806 for further information.